## Franchise Tax Board

## **SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL**

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Related E	Bills:	See Prior Analysis	Telephone	e: <u>845-5117</u>	Amended Date:	April 30, 2001	
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SUBJECT: FTB to Conduct a Study Legislature			dy of Tax F	of Tax Forms That Affect Taxpayers 65 or Older & Report to the			
DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggestions of previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended							
AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.							
AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended							
FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.							
	DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO						
	REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL AS INTRODUCED, STILL APPLIES.						
X OTHER - See comments below.							
SUMMARY							
This bill would require the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) to:							
<ul> <li>Conduct a study of tax forms used by taxpayers who are 65 years of age or older, and</li> <li>Make a report of that study to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2002, or as soon thereafter as practicable.</li> </ul>							
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT							
The April 30, 2001, amendment deleted the provisions previously contained in this bill. The previous provisions required revision of Form 540 2EZ for use by taxpayers 65 years old and over. This amendment requires FTB to conduct a study to lessen the filing burden on seniors.							
PURPOSE OF THE BILL							
According to the author's staff, the purpose of the bill is to make it easier for seniors to file their income tax returns.							
EFFECTIVE/OPERATIVE DATE							
This bill would be effective and operative on January 1, 2002.							
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